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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED

EXAMINING GROUP 1765

PATENT

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In re Application of:

Chishio KOSHIMIZU et al.

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the Final Office Action dated August 27, 2003, the period for response having been extended to December 27, 2003 by a request for a one month extension of time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116,

Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment sections of this paper.

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